

# Strongwomen&Strongman's training for Olympic wushu exercises sets, reps, drills

Strongwoman and Strongman training methods can be adapted to support Olympic wushu athletes by enhancing strength, power, and conditioning—qualities essential for explosive kicks, jumps, and dynamic movements in wushu. Here's how to structure such training, including recommended sets, reps, and drills, drawing from strongman/strongwoman principles and adjusting for wushu's unique demands.

## Training Structure for Olympic Wushu (Inspired by Strongman/Strongwoman)

### Key Principles

- **Strength & Power:** Focus on compound lifts and explosive movements.
- **Conditioning:** Integrate timed sets and circuit-style work to simulate the intensity of wushu routines.
- **Mobility & Stability:** Include unilateral and dynamic movements to improve balance and joint health.

### Example Training Template

#### 1. Strength Work (2-4 days/week)

- **Main Lifts:** Deadlifts, squats, overhead presses, cleans, and rows—focusing on progressive overload and technique<sup>[1][2][3]</sup>.
- **Sets & Reps:**
  - **Heavy days:** 3-5 sets of 2-8 reps (pyramid up in weight)
  - **Hypertrophy/accessory days:** 3-5 sets of 8-12 reps for upper body, 6-12 reps for lower body<sup>[2][3]</sup>.
- **Olympic lifts:** Clean & jerk or snatch variations for explosiveness, 3-5 sets of 3-5 reps<sup>[2]</sup>.

- **Unilateral work:** Lunges, step-ups, split squats for balance and injury prevention, 3 sets of 8–12 reps per leg<sup>[2]</sup>.

## 2. Conditioning & Event-Specific Drills (1-2 days/week)

- **Timed circuits:** 3 rounds of 45–60 seconds per exercise, 15–30 seconds rest (e.g., kettlebell swings, sandbag carries, sled pushes, farmer’s walks)<sup>[4][3]</sup>.
- **Wushu-specific drills:**
  - o **Plyometrics:** Box jumps, depth jumps, tuck jumps, 3–5 sets of 5–10 reps.
  - o **Agility:** Ladder drills, cone drills, shuttle runs.
  - o **Core:** Weighted sit-ups, hanging leg raises, Russian twists, 2–3 sets of 12–20 reps<sup>[4]</sup>.

## 3. Mobility & Recovery

- **Joint mobility:** Dynamic stretching, hip openers, shoulder mobility drills.
- **Warm-up:** 10–15 minutes of dynamic movement and light cardio<sup>[5]</sup>.
- **Cool-down:** Static stretching and foam rolling.

## Example Weekly Plan

Day	Focus	Example Exercises & Drills
Monday	Strength (Lower)	Deadlifts, squats, lunges, core
Tuesday	Conditioning/Drills	Timed circuits (kettlebell, sandbag, sled), agility drills, plyometrics
Wednesday	Strength (Upper)	Overhead press, rows, push-ups, accessory work
Thursday	Rest/Mobility	Mobility drills, light yoga or stretching
Friday	Strength (Olympic)	Clean & jerk, snatch variations, unilateral work, core
Saturday	Conditioning/Drills	Farmer’s walks, sled pushes, wushu-specific plyometrics and agility

Sunday	Rest	
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## Additional Notes

- **Progressive Overload:** Increase weight or reps gradually to build strength and avoid plateaus<sup>[1][5]</sup>.
- **AMRAP/Timed Sets:** Use timed sets (e.g., 60 seconds AMRAP) for conditioning, mimicking the intensity of wushu routines<sup>[1][3]</sup>.
- **Variety:** Rotate exercises to prevent overuse injuries and keep training engaging<sup>[5][2]</sup>.
- **Recovery:** Schedule deload weeks and prioritize sleep and nutrition<sup>[1][5]</sup>.

## Sample Workout: Strongwoman/Strongman-Inspired for Wushu

### Strength Circuit (2 sets, 60 sec work / 30 sec rest per exercise)<sup>[4]</sup>

- Overhead Press
- Sumo Deadlifts
- Chest Press
- Front/Walking Lunges
- Bicep Curls
- Squats
- Push-Ups
- Overhand Rows
- Front/Side Raises
- Weighted Sit-Ups

### Wushu-Specific Drills

- **Plyometrics:** 3-5 sets of 5-10 reps (box jumps, tuck jumps)
- **Agility:** 3-5 rounds of ladder or cone drills
- **Core:** 2-3 sets of 12-20 reps (weighted sit-ups, Russian twists)

This approach will build the strength, power, and conditioning needed for Olympic wushu, while also supporting joint health and mobility.

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## **CIRCUITCAROLYN\FARMER&RANGERESS/ TRAINING=Conditioning Cardiovascular Classes✓**

14-Set=

Overheadpress 275,2150 lb.

Lunges 2150lb.,2300 lb .

Rickshaw-Farmer Carrier 285lb.,2170lb.

Benchpress 2379,2379lb.

DeadLift 2509lb.,2494lb.

TireFlip 2115lb.,2150 lb

Legextensions 2111lb.,2222lb.

DeathLifts 2300lb.,2150 lb.

Squats 2400lb.,2416 lb.

Front squat 2160lb.,2116 lb.

Karaoke Grapevine Step 2117,2170 lb.

SLedsLeigh 2202lb.,2203lb.

Woodchop 295lb.,259lb.

Legcurls 2102,2204 lb.

QuadrupLe Set

Abdominals 3

16@160lb.Belly 316@150pounds

Core 3

16@140lb.Stomach 316@130 lb.

Powerwalking Between Exercises,sets,& repetitions ✓

875Necks✓

125 Dolphin Abs✓

Your proposed **CIRCUITCAROLYN/FARMER&RANGERESS** training regimen is an ultra-high-volume, multi-exercise circuit with a strong emphasis on conditioning, strength

endurance, and cardiovascular work. The format you've outlined is reminiscent of both strongman/strongwoman circuits and military-style conditioning, with a heavy load on nearly every movement—sometimes exceeding what is typical even for elite athletes in some lifts (e.g., bench press at 379 lbs for sets, deadlifts exceeding 400 lbs for reps). Below is a breakdown of your circuit, analysis of its structure, and practical considerations for real-world application.

## **Circuit Breakdown: CIRCUITCAROLYN/FARMER&RANGERESS**

### **Main Circuit (14 Exercises, 2 Sets Each, Heavy Loading)**

- **Overhead Press:** 2 sets × 75 lb, 2 sets × 150 lb
- **Lunges:** 2 sets × 150 lb, 2 sets × 300 lb
- **Rickshaw-Farmer Carrier:** 2 sets × 85 lb, 2 sets × 170 lb
- **Bench Press:** 2 sets × 379 lb, 2 sets × 379 lb (likely a typo or intended as 2 sets at 379 lb)
- **Deadlift:** 2 sets × 509 lb, 2 sets × 494 lb
- **Tire Flip:** 2 sets × 115 lb, 2 sets × 150 lb
- **Leg Extensions:** 2 sets × 111 lb, 2 sets × 222 lb
- **DeathLifts:** 2 sets × 300 lb, 2 sets × 150 lb (likely a repeat or typo for deadlift)
- **Squats:** 2 sets × 400 lb, 2 sets × 416 lb
- **Front Squat:** 2 sets × 160 lb, 2 sets × 116 lb
- **Karaoke Grapevine Step:** 2 sets × 117 lb, 2 sets × 170 lb (unusual to load this movement)
- **Sled Drag (SLedsLeigh):** 2 sets × 202 lb, 2 sets × 203 lb
- **Woodchop:** 2 sets × 95 lb, 2 sets × 59 lb
- **Leg Curls:** 2 sets × 102 lb, 2 sets × 204 lb

### **Quadruple Set (Core/Abs)**

- **Abdominals:** 3 × 16 reps @ 160 lb

- **Belly:** 3 × 16 reps @ 150 lb
- **Core:** 3 × 16 reps @ 140 lb
- **Stomach:** 3 × 16 reps @ 130 lb

*(Note: These are likely all weighted core movements, possibly with overlap or redundancy in naming.)*

## Conditioning & Cardio

- **Powerwalking Between Exercises, Sets, & Reps**
- **875 Necks** (likely neck exercises, reps or weight unclear)
- **125 Dolphin Abs** (likely a core movement or rep count)

## Analysis & Practical Considerations

- **Volume and Intensity:** The circuit is extraordinarily high in both volume and intensity, with heavy weights and large numbers of exercises and sets. This is far beyond typical strongman or military conditioning protocols, which usually focus on fewer movements per session with more manageable loads and rest periods<sup>[6][7][8]</sup>.
- **Conditioning Focus:** The inclusion of farmer's walks, sled drags, and powerwalking between sets emphasizes cardiovascular and muscular endurance, which is excellent for overall conditioning and sport-specific preparation<sup>[6][7]</sup>.
- **Strength Standards:** For reference, a strongman/strongwoman athlete might aim for a farmer's walk at bodyweight in each hand as a strong goal, with advanced athletes handling up to 1.25–1.5x bodyweight per hand<sup>[6]</sup>. Your rickshaw-farmer carrier loads are in this range for most athletes.
- **Typographical Notes:** Some lifts (e.g., bench press at 379 lb for reps, deadlifts at 509 lb for reps) are likely intended for demonstration or as a joke, or may be typos, as these are world-class or superhuman numbers for most people. Double-check your intended loads for safety and realism.
- **Core Work:** The quadruple set for core is very high volume, with weighted movements. This will build tremendous core endurance and strength, but may be excessive for most unless you are specifically training for a strongman or military selection event<sup>[8]</sup>.

## Recommendations for Adaptation

- **Realistic Loads:** Adjust weights to match your current strength levels. For example, farmer's walks and rickshaw carries are excellent for conditioning and grip strength, but start with a manageable load and progress<sup>[6][7][8]</sup>.
- **Circuit Structure:** Consider breaking the circuit into smaller segments (e.g., 3–5 exercises per circuit) to maintain quality and safety.
- **Rest and Recovery:** With this volume, ensure adequate rest between sessions and monitor for overtraining.
- **Conditioning:** Powerwalking between sets is a great way to keep heart rate elevated and simulate the demands of strongman or military events<sup>[7][8]</sup>.
- **Core Work:** For most athletes, 2–3 core movements per session with 2–3 sets of 10–20 reps is sufficient. Your volume is very high and may be best reserved for advanced competitors or special prep phases.

## Example Modified Circuit (For Strongman/Wushu Conditioning)

Exercise	Sets/Reps	Weight (Example)
Overhead Press	2 × 8–12	50–75% 1RM
Farmer's Walk	2 × 40–60 ft	Bodyweight/hand
Sled Drag	2 × 40–60 ft	100–200 lb
Lunges	2 × 10/leg	50–100 lb
Tire Flip	2 × 5–10	Moderate tire
Core Circuit	3 × 16	BW or light weight

**Powerwalk or light jog between exercises for conditioning.**

## Summary

Your **CIRCUITCAROLYN/FARMER&RANGERESS** protocol is a maximalist, ultra-conditioning approach inspired by strongman and military training. For most athletes, scaling back the volume and intensity while maintaining the circuit structure and conditioning focus will yield the best results and reduce injury risk<sup>[6][7][8]</sup>. If you are training for Olympic wushu, prioritize explosive power, mobility, and sport-specific drills alongside your strength and conditioning work.



## DYNAMICWORK✓

Staticwork✓

Your notation **DYNAMICWORK✓** and **Staticwork✓** suggests you are highlighting the inclusion of both dynamic and static stretching or movement routines within your training program. Here's a concise breakdown of their roles and benefits, especially for strength, conditioning, and sports like strongman or wushu:

### Dynamic Work

- **Purpose:** Prepares the body for exercise by increasing blood flow, muscle temperature, and neuromuscular activation.
- **When to Use:** Before workouts or training sessions.
- **Benefits:**
  - Enhances performance, power, and coordination<sup>[9][10][11]</sup>.
  - Improves range of motion and reduces injury risk<sup>[12][13][11]</sup>.
  - Mimics sport-specific movements, making it ideal for pre-session warm-ups<sup>[9][10]</sup>.
- **Examples:** Arm circles, leg swings, high knees, walking lunges<sup>[10]</sup>.

### Static Work

- **Purpose:** Improves flexibility, relaxes muscles, and aids recovery.
- **When to Use:** After workouts or training sessions.
- **Benefits:**

- o Increases flexibility and muscle length<sup>[12][9][10]</sup>.
- o Promotes relaxation and reduces muscle soreness<sup>[12][14][10]</sup>.
- o Helps the body cool down and recover<sup>[12][9][10]</sup>.
- **Examples:** Hamstring stretch, quadriceps stretch, shoulder stretch<sup>[10]</sup>.

## Summary Table

Type	Timing	Main Benefits	Example Exercises
Dynamic Work	Pre-workout	Performance, power, coordination, injury risk↓	Arm circles, leg swings
Static Work	Post-workout	Flexibility, relaxation, recovery	Hamstring, quad stretch

Including both **dynamic work before** and **static work after** your sessions is optimal for performance, recovery, and injury prevention<sup>[12][9][10]</sup>. This approach aligns with your interests in strength training, bodybuilding, and high-intensity conditioning<sup>[15]</sup>.



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